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**THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Michael W. Barry, Jack N. Bartholmae, Francis A. Rowe, E. Neal Tompkins  
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DISTRIBUTING PAGES TO  
INDIVIDUAL PRINT ENGINES IN A MULTIPLE PRINT ENGINE

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the initial review, please amend as follows the accompanying Rule 1.53(b)  
continuation application of pending prior application Serial No. 08/698,999 filed on August 16,  
1996.

**IN THE TITLE OF THE INVENTION**

Please delete the present title of the invention and insert therefor --METHOD AND  
APPARATUS FOR DISTRIBUTING PAGES TO INDIVIDUAL PRINT ENGINES IN A  
MULTIPLE PRINT ENGINE--.

**IN THE TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

Please delete the Technical Field of the Invention and insert the following:

-- The present invention pertains in general to electrophotographic print engines  
and, more particularly, to multiple print engines configured as a single print engine  
and the distribution of information thereto in a print job.--

**IN THE CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

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